

2020-03-11 WTP 100 L Hydraulic Oil Tote

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Please find the following information as a follow up to the Spill report submitted March 11, 2020 by Agnico Eagle Meadowbank division. This detailed report is submitted to the Inspector in compliance with the conditions under the Nunavut Water Board License 2AM-MEA1526, Part H, Item 8c.

Spill Description

During operations at Meadowbank, an operator was moving totes outside the Maintenance Shop area and punctured a hydraulic oil tote with the forks.



Spill location: 65° 01'0.15" 96° 04'0.53" on IOL

There were no off site impacts or discharge to any receiving watercourses. Distance to the closest water body is estimated at 300 meters to Third Portage Lake.

Cause of Spill

The spill occurred due to a punctured tote from the loader forks.

Remediation Actions

As per procedure, the tote was tipped on its side to prevent further leaking. The tote was then placed in the contaminated soil bin until the waste oil could be transferred into an empty tote. Spill pads were placed on the ground, then collected and brought to the Meadowbank HazMat area. Approximately 2m3 of contaminated snow and material was collected and brought to the land farm at Meadowbank.



Corrective measures

All equipment operators using forks to move material will be reminded to use a spotter to prevent incident/material damage.

Closure

We trust that the above details described appropriately the spill incident that occurred at the Meadowbank site on March 11, 2020 and the cleanup activities. Please contact the undersigned should you have any questions.



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